

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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In the Matter of:  
Clarksville Post Office  
Clarksville, New York

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Docket No. A2011-81

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE  
ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
(OCTOBER 18, 2011)

Craig D. Apple, Acting Sheriff of Albany County, as and for his statement of intervention pursuant to 39 CFR 3001.20, states as follows:

1. I am the Acting Sheriff of Albany County. The Sheriff's Office maintains a law enforcement agency, which, together with the New York State Police, is the primary provider of law enforcement services in areas of Albany County outside of those municipalities that have their own municipal police departments.
2. The Town of New Scotland does not have any municipal police department and relies entirely upon the Albany County Sheriff's Office and the New York State Police for police protection.
3. The Albany County Sheriff's Office is presently planning to move its Patrol Station from the Village of Voorheesville, its E911 Communications Center from New Salem and its multi faceted operation in the City of Cohoes to Clarksville. The Sheriff's Office is currently negotiating to lease the former Clarksville Elementary School, which was recently closed by the Bethlehem Board of Education.
4. The relocation of the Sheriff's Office to Clarksville will be a major benefit to the community. In addition to providing a police presence within the community, it will also enable the building of the former elementary school, which is presently closed, to reopen. Areas of the building that are not used by the Sheriff's Office will be made available to the public for community purposes.
5. As a result of the relocation of the Sheriff's Office to Clarksville, there will be approximately 70 full time and 70 part time employees based there. These personnel consist of Deputy Sheriff's, Supervisors, Investigators, Command Staff, Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics, Information Technology and Telecommunications personnel.

6. In addition to Law Enforcement functions, this facility will also house the Albany County Emergency Operations Center, Albany County E-911 Communications Center, Albany County Emergency Medical Services Office and Albany County STOP-DWI Office.
7. It will be very important for the Sheriff's Office to have the services of a post office in the immediate facility. The Clarksville post office is located within 1/4 mile of the building where the substation will be located. If the Clarksville post office closes, the nearest post office will be 5 miles away, in the hamlet of Feura Bush.
8. It is essential, for the Sheriff's Office to have a functioning post office in close proximity to its Patrol Station. The Sheriff's Office would need the services of the post office for the sending and receiving of certified letters, packages, and the mailing of bulky materials.
9. The closing of the Clarksville Post Office would have an adverse impact on the Sheriff's Office, and might affect the Sheriff's Office's plans to locate its substation in Clarksville to the detriment of the community.
10. Consequently, the Albany County Sheriff's Office strongly opposes the proposed closure of the Clarksville Post Office and is formally requesting intervenor status on this appeal.

Service of documents pertaining to this proceeding may be served on the undersigned.

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